

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re divisional application of :

KENZO ISHIZUKA ET AL. :

Serial No. 828,841 :

filed August 29, 1977. :

ANTIBIOTIC COMPOSITIONS :

(divisional application filed
herewith) :

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents

Washington, D.C.

Sir:

In the interest of compact prosecution, please
amend the present application as follows:

In the Claims:

Cancel claims 1, 11 and 14 without prejudice to
the subject matter thereof and add the following claims
in their place:

-- Am 1 15. A vacuum-sealed vial, which contains a solid
antibiotic composition comprising 7β-[2-(2-imino-4-thiazolin-4-
yl)acetamido]-3-{1-[2-(N,N-dimethylamino)ethyl]-1H-tetrazol-5-yl}
thiomethyl-3-cephem-4-carboxylic acid dihydrochloride or its
hydrate and sodium carbonate or sodium hydrogen carbonate,
the ratio of the hydrogen chloride moiety of 7β-[2-(2-imino-4-
thiazolin-4-yl)acetamido]-3-{1-[2-(N,N-dimethylamino)ethyl]-1H-
tetrazol-5-yl}thiomethyl-3-cephem-4-carboxylic acid dihydro-
chloride or its hydrate relative to said sodium carbonate or

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